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MEMORANDUM FOR: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR POLICY COORDINATION

SUBJECT:

Proposed Project HTREPAIR

- 1. Herewith is submitted proposed OPC Project HTREPAIR, which has been coordinated with the Austrian Desk of EE/SO, the Office of Communications, and appropriate functional staffs of OPC.
- 2. Project HTREPAIR has been proposed to provide for the establishment of an escape and evasion organization in the Totes Gebirge area of Austria (U.S. Zone, extending slightly into the northwest portion of the U.K. Zone). The E & E net is to be established under the supervision of one Principal Agent organizer and one suborganizer, who will initially spot the additional personnel to make up the wartime organization. After carding and checking of these personnel by the OPC Austrian Mission, key assistants; including two W/T operators, net suborganizers, and safehouse-keepers; will be cleared, recruited and trained. The remaining net personnel, couriers and spotters, will be recruited only after an outbreak of hostilities.
- 3. In support of Project HTREPAIR, \$7,500 is requested for the balance of Fiscal Year 1952. These funds are to be used for payment of salaries, and gifts in lieu of salaries, to indigenous agents and for the purchase of winter clothing, field rations and barter supplies for caching. Arms, ammunition, explosives and accessories for caching, sufficient to supply one 100-man T/O and E resistance unit, are ultimately to be furnished under an over-all arms procurement project for Austria now being prepared for submission. Three RS-1 W/T sets for use under Project HTREPAIR will be drawn from stocks in the possession of the OPC Austrian Mission.
- 4. It is to be noted that the prospective Principal Agent was granted a full operational clearance on 27 March 1952, immediately following final preparation of the project outline.
- 5. Project HTREPAIR will directly further certain of the objectives established in the Eastern European Division Strategic Plan and the Austrian Country Plan. It will ultimately connect on the east with the E & E line being established under OPC Project JBGIVING, and on the west with another line now being developed by the field. All these separate E & E lines will be kept fully compartmented from

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each other during the cold war period, and linked up only after their activation in the event of general war.

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